

A MEETING OF THE SEWER BOARD OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WILL BE HELD IN THE THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING ON THURSDAY, APRIL 10 2008 AT 8:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Ron Carroll, Vice Chairman Bill Utz, Elizabeth Coyle.

OTHERS: Brian Dixon and Rob Sartell, EMC, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Lee Buchanan and Kelly Welsh.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:

Mr. Utz moved to approve the March 13th meeting minutes, Ms. Coyle second, all voted in favor.

BIDS:

COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC:

Jeff Corbit stated that he needs to transfer sewer taps that Mr. Lomax had taken out before he died to Savannah Gardens.

Ms. Welsh asked that he makes sure to stop by her office so that they can make sure to get everything transferred over.

Mr. Utz made a motion to approve the transfer, Ms. Coyle second, all voted in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

Ms. Welsh presented a copy of State Statute that allows them to write off bad debt if it is \$40 dollars or less. She stated that they are currently only writing off \$20.00 and the filing fees for a lien are \$43. They would like to be able to increase the write off amount to what is allowed by stated statute.

Ms. Coyle made a motion to approve using the state statute write off amount of \$40, Mr. Utz second, all voted in favor.

SEWER ADJUSTMENTS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #1 - Bellewood Owners Organization re: sewers.

Bill Springsten, Bellewood Condos resident, stated that they have lived there for about 30 years and they have thought the whole time that the city owned the lines but they recently found out that they own their the sewer lines. They would like to know how they could turn the lines over to the city.

Ms. Coyle stated that before the city would take those lines over they would want proof that they are up to code.

Mr. Carroll asked whose responsibility it would be to check those lines.

Mr. Dixon stated that he informed them that they would need to get a private individual to check the lines and they would need to also turn the easements over to the city as well so that they could have a way of getting in and maintaining the lines for the future.

Mr. Springsten stated that they have contacted a third party but they just wanted to come before the board and get it on the record.

Item #2 – Rick Fox

Mr. Buchanan stated that Mr. Fox would be at the next meeting.

Item #2 - Matt Toole with Jefferson Gardens re: request for 28 lots to hook into the sewers.

Mr. Toole addressed the board regarding Jefferson Gardens which is in Basin 35 and he stated that there are about 28 lots left to be built on and there are existing sewers to be tapped into and he needs the boards' approval to tap into that line.

Mr. Dixon stated that this is part of the Phase II section of the Basin 35 project. He stated that when he first talked to Mr. Toole he did not realize that they had this many houses to build.

Mr. Utz stated that he does not believe they should approve any taps into that line as long as it has capacity problems. He asked Mr. Toole how long he planned to take to build this out.

Mr. Toole stated that he would do it in phases of about 3 or 4 houses a year.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the capacity issues in Basin 35.

Mr. Utz stated that he is sympathetic to his problem but they have to take into consideration the capacity issues at Basin 35

Mr. Toole stated that it is basically a no on the 23 but if he wanted to tap into the other few single lots that would be okay.

Mr. Utz stated that he should keep a close ear to the ground and be on the look out for Basin 35 Phases II & III being bid and if so get back to the board.

Item #3 - Jason Copperwaite, Paul Primavera re: Stonecrest

Mr. Copperwaite stated that he is also here to talk about Basin 35 and the last time he was here they had discussed joining there plans with Clark Dietz for permitting from IDEM and he was told that would take a few weeks. He explained the process he had to go through before he could apply for the permit. He was wondering what he had to do procedure wise to get to the point where they could submit this.

Ms. Coyle explained that IDEM will not approve taps that they will not be using at this time.

Mr. Copperwaite stated that the capacity certification is the hardest part because of EPA review. . He explained that they have two capacity certifications, one for the basin they are talking about and one they don't have. He was wondering if they could include this project on the capacity certification that the design of Basin 35 is based on rather than doing another one.

Mr. Buchanan stated that they are planning to discuss this issue with EPA next Friday and they will discuss his problems as well.

Mr. Copperwaite stated that they would like to get started because if they wait until they submit their permit they can't even submit a permit until the pipe is in the ground and operational and that could be 6 months or more. He stated that they would like to at least have a construction permit so that they can move dirt and put in lines and get started.

Ms. Coyle stated that they have to have their plans and specs before they can get a construction permit and they don't know what the plans and specs are going to be until they talk with IDEM.

Mr. Christmas stated that it might be in the best interest for everyone involved to do one basin wide capacity certification for the full build out of Basin 35.

Ms. Coyle asked Mr. Buchanan to mention that on Friday when they talk to EPA.

Mr. Buchanan stated that he would and he asked Mr. Christmas to discuss it with Hans Peterson as well.

Mr. Utz asked Mr. Christmas if he had any idea what that would cost.

Mr. Christmas stated that he would say \$3000.00 or less and he doesn't know who would pay for it but it is something they could do.

Ms. Coyle stated that the problem is that you might have developers on the other basin's complaining about why they paid for the study on 35.

Mr. Utz stated that there are three entities that would benefit from this study including the City.

Mr. Christmas explained that he believes it would be less than \$3000.00 and they could do it as a City study at that price on contract not to exceed \$3000.00.

Mr. Utz asked if they should wait a week before making a decision on this.

Mr. Buchanan stated that it might be better to do that and they could also look at allocating the cost of the study based on the credits as they are issued.

Mr. Copperwaite stated that the other issue to clarify is that with a City project they don't have to submit the waiver but with a private project they do and if they are going to merge a public and a private project they need to know if they are going to have to submit all that paperwork.

Mr. Dixon stated that his questions are for IDEM and their call is with EPA so he may want to call IDEM himself.

Mr. Copperwaite stated that Mr. Theinamen asked when the city would like for him to start paying his pre-paid taps.

Mr. Dixon stated that there was a schedule set out for when the payments would be made. He thought that there was to be a payment post construction, another midway through pre construction

Mr. Utz stated that he thinks this is something that Mr. Buchanan should write up.

Mr. Buchanan stated that they had mentioned before that the tap fees would be paid at the time they received the credits.

Wes Christmas explained that they had already planned to pay the tap fees early in order to help fund the cost of the construction of basin 35.

Ms. Coyle asked when the plans for Basin 35 Phase II are ready to bid out.

Mr. Christmas stated that he is 95% done with the plans but they are going to wait for them to file jointly.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item #1- Clark Dietz re: Project Update

Mr. Christmas presented the board with a memo in regards to pumping that was being done at the Robert E. Lee Lift Station. Said memo is on file with the City Clerk's office. He went over item No. 7 with the board because he hadn't located this information prior.

Ms. Coyle had some questions about the difference between one pump running and all three running only being 200 gpm. Any pumping capacity a line is going to need should be calculated.

Mr. Dixon explained that after they had two over-flows due to construction he told IDEM that they would put it in all the plans that if contractors had to use a backup pump they would have someone there at all times until the pump station was up and running. However, when they made that agreement with IDEM the Robert E. Lift Station project had already been bid out.

Mr. Christmas stated that he was going to negotiate with MAC that they cover the pump cost and the city will provide someone to man the pumps.

Mr. Carroll stated that he wanted to attend the negotiation meeting with MAC.

Mr. Christmas discussed the Basin 18 project and stated that they are ready to go by April 21. He stated that they are going to start slightly up-stream of the Country Club. He presented a counter-offer for the easement from the Country Club which was substantially more than their original offer. Said counter-offer is on file with the City Clerk's office.

Mr. Buchanan stated that this does not need to hold up the project. He explained that they could condemn it and put some money in the controller's office to hold until negotiations are complete.

Mr. Christmas informed the board that there is currently an easement that runs right through the middle of the golf course and he designed this section so that it was shifted up and not going through the middle of the course and this option would cost about \$30,000.00.

Mr. Utz made a motion to offer no higher than \$25,000, Ms. Coyle second, all voted in favor.

Item #2 - Donohue re: Project Update

Paul Elling approached the board and reported on the strainer project and stated that they will be receiving quotes on this next week because there were a few more interested parties. He stated that once they get all the quotes they would discuss them with EMC and bring their recommendation to the board. He moved on to address the 15th Street Project and explained that he sent a letter for the Mayor to sign and send to CSX and he asked if that had been done.

Ms. Wisman reported that the Mayor has reviewed the letter and is going to make some changes.

Mr. Elling went over the 15th Street Sewer Study Project report and discussed the numerous issues that they are facing with the repair of the line.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the scheduling of the 15th Street project.

EMC REPORT:

Mr. Sartell presented three quotes for the roofing on the laboratory and secondary building and he would like to accept the bid of \$23,777.00 from Insulated Roofing with a 10 year warranty.

The board tabled this item until Mr. Sartell can get some references on Insulated Roofing.

Mr. Carroll asked if they checked the references, could Mr. Sartell just call him and they move forward instead of waiting for the next meeting.

Mr. Utz moved to go ahead with Insulated Roofing contingent upon getting the references, Ms. Coyle second, all voted in favor.

Independent Back up Float Control Project

The Independent Back up float System has been completed at the intermediate pump station located at the WWTP. It has been tested and has performed as expected. The next phase of the project will move to the Mt Tabor Lift Station.

Laboratory and Secondary Buildings

The Lab and Secondary Buildings have several leaks in the roofs and will need to be replaced. We have been patching the roof for the last couple of years but with the age of the roof it will need to be replaced. EMC has received three quotes as follows
Insulated Roofing – Remove roofing and dispose of, 10 year warranty, \$23,777.00
Palmer Roofing – Remove roofing and dispose of, 15 year warranty, \$41,965.00
Indiana Roofing – Remove roofing and dispose of, 3 year warranty, \$29,370.00

NFPA 70E Arc Flash

Peyton Technical Services has begun the WWTP data collection phase of the electrical arc safety requirements. This phase will enable Peyton to model the power distribution system and distribution interconnections.

SSO Reports

Rain Event of March 26th and 27th

SSO #026 Robert E. Lee Lift Station MH#3-C57 Active
SSO #029 Linda Dr. MH #18-15 Active
SSO #030 Linda Dr. MH #18-16 Active
Manhole # 28-39 Basin 28-3 Charlestown Rd. & Soergal Active
Manhole # 28-122 Basin 28-3 Charlestown Rd. & Lynnwood Active
Manhole # 16-38 Basin 16-7 Korb Ave. Active
Manhole # 16-31 Basin 16-6 Korb Ave. Active
Manhole # 16-83 Basin 16-1 McLean Lift Station Active
Manhole #14-C41 Basin 14-9 Main Line Blockage
Manhole # 29-60 Basin 29-2 Main Line Collapsed
March the 30th
Manhole # 19-14 Basin 19-3 Main Line Blockage
Rain Event of April 4th
SSO #029 Linda Dr. MH #18-15 Active
SSO #030 Linda Dr. MH #18-16 Active
Manhole #28-39 Basin 28-3 Charlestown Rd. & Soergal Active
Manhole #28-122 Basin 28-3 Charlestown Rd. & Lynnwood Active
Manhole # 13-C47 Basin 13-5 between E.8th and New Albany Country Club
Active
Manhole # 16-38 Basin 16-7 Korb Ave. Active
Manhole # 16-31 Basin 16-6 Korb Ave. Active
Manhole # 16-31A Basin 16-6 Alley off Sanderson Active
Manhole # 16-83 Basin 16-1 McLean Lift Station Active
Manhole #30-11 Basin 30-2 Rainbow Dr. Active

Electrical and Natural Gas Savings
EMC will be returning \$44,924.72 derived from savings realized by operating efficiencies of the WWTP electrical and natural gas systems

CLAIMS:

Mr. Dixon presented the following claims for approval:

Applegate & Fifer		
Attorney Fees for February-2008	Inv. 3621	\$912.00
Clark Dietz		
Sewer Credit Pleasant View Ridge	Inv. 400856	\$2,000.00
I/I Removal Assistance	Inv. 40857	\$1,740.00
Total		\$4,652.00

Mr. Utz moved to approve the claims, Mr. Carroll second, all voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Sewer Board, the meeting adjourned at a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

_____ Ron Carroll, Chairman	_____ Marcey J. Wisman, City Clerk
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